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Christmas Open House December 2019

Our Open House program is a big opportunity for us to show off our layout to our community. We have all seen the work that goes into making our layout a museum quality layout. We have one of the best in the world. It is always nice to see how our guests enjoy our big layout, the Back Shop, Diner, Thomas Layout, the opportunity to run the trains and the enjoyment our members have in sharing trains with them. The Christmas spirit comes out at our facility, especially when Santa Claus shows up checking his list and finding out what our guests have on their lists. (I believe it has something to do with trains.) We also have completed our Fourth Lionel Ambassador's Club activities. We are scheduled to be listed in the Early 2020 Lionel Catalog. The end of the year also brings together our reality check – Finances. As a reminder, if you have not renewed your membership, we surely would like to see your application sent to Robert Ciolino.

This is the end of the year and I want to wish everyone a

Happy New Year!

2020 brings in many promising challenges and opportunities.

We have also made two more videos for the Lionel Ambassador Club, [Lionel's Santa Snowplow](#) and [Lionel's Rio Grand Steam Locomotive 0-4-0](#). Try the links and see them on YouTube. Tell me how you like them.



Our CLRC Christmas Open House is in full swing with guests enjoying every view, including the Back Shop



Guests enjoy walking around the layout and observing our various vignettes



Guests are sharing their list with Santa as others look forward to seeing him.



The Thomas Layout is always a hit



Good "airplane" view while waiting for Santa



Nice Christmas Train and Trestle details



Bob and Tom work on the 2019 accounting

**Happy New Year from all of us at CLRC
and may your vision be 2020!**

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